

Wyoming
(Dollars in Thousands)

Wyoming	2012 Total*	5% Sequester	Revised Total
Estimate of Total Interior Funding	1,209,758	-59,831	1,149,927

** The 2012 Total does not include project specific funding for land acquisition, construction, and Bureau of Reclamation projects or competitive grant allocations.*

Interior funding in the State of Wyoming totaled about \$1.2 billion in 2012. A five percent sequester of Interior funding at this level would mean a loss of about \$60 million. This estimate will be updated once the sequestration order is issued and allocations are finalized. There could be further reductions in competitive grants, land acquisition and construction projects, and wildland fire expenditures that are not included in this estimate.

- Wyoming is home to 2 American Indian tribes, 1 National Parks, 2 monuments, a historic site, a parkway, 7 refuges, 2 fish hatcheries, 18.4 million acres of public lands, 2 National Conservation Landscape System sites, over 2,300 Interior employees.
- Together these natural assets attracted 12.5 million visitors, created 17,449 jobs, and generated \$1.5 billion for local economies in 2011.
- Under the sequester, Interior operations in Wyoming stand to lose an estimated:
 - \$4.1 million at Bureau of Land Management sites like the Continental Divide National Scenic Trail and the National Historic Trails System.
 - \$2.6 million at National Park Service sites:
 - Yellowstone National Park and Fossil Butte National Monument. Yellowstone would delay spring road openings inside the park and delay visitor access to Grant Village and Yellowstone Lake by 2-3 weeks.
 - At Grand Teton National Park a sequester would close the Jenny Lake Visitor Center, the Laurence S. Rockefeller Preserve, and the Flagg Ranch Visitor Contact Station, for the summer season affecting 300,000 visitors.
 - \$1.1 million at Fish and Wildlife Service sites like the National Elk Refuge, and the Seedskadee and Mortenson Lake National Wildlife Refuges.
 - Bureau of Indian Affairs activities will be reduced including budgets for contracted services provided by the following Tribes:
 - Arapahoe Tribe of the Wind River Reservation; and
 - Shoshone Tribe of the Wind River Reservation.

Within this total, major grants and direct payments to Wyoming would drop by about \$53.7 million.

Interior Grants and Payments	Estimate Total	Sequester	Revised Total
Abandoned Mine Land Grants	15,000	-765	14,235
Historic Preservation Fund	689	-34	655
LWCF State Grants w/GOMESA	371	-19	352
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	26,075	-1,330	24,745
Sport Fish & Wildlife Restoration	15,429	-787	14,642
State and Wildlife Grants	539	-27	512
Mineral Revenue Payments	995,170	-50,754	944,416
Total, Wyoming	1,053,273	-53,716	999,557

Note: The sequester is an across-the-board reduction that reduces every account and activity (with few exemptions). The result will be reduced levels of direct services provided to the American public. Cut backs in visitor hours and programs will impact tourism and travel and have ripple effects on communities and economies that are reliant on these activities. Reductions in permanent and seasonal staffing and reductions in contracts will impact surrounding communities where employees live and where supplies and services are acquired. Reductions in grants and payments will impact the abilities of States, Tribes and counties to sustain ongoing services in emergency response, education, and others. As these impacts are defined, we will provide details.